NEPA MPO
2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program

TIP Public Comment Hearing
May 19, 2020
NEPA MPO 2021-2024
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

• Identifies the highest priority transportation projects to be funded in the NEPA MPO region consisting of Carbon, Monroe, Pike and Schuylkill Counties.

• Develops a multi-year program of implementation.

• Identifies available federal and non-federal funding for the programmed project phases.
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• Shows estimated cost of each project and projected schedule for completion of the project.

• Covers a four-year period of investment and must be fiscally-constrained.

• Is updated every two years through a cooperative effort of local, state and federal agencies, including participation by the general public.
From Planning to Preliminary Engineering

Long Range Transportation Plan  Twelve Year Plan/Transportation Improvement Plan  Project Delivery

LRTP  TYP/TIP
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Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Funding

• Financial Guidance describes the available revenues and funding distribution strategies that form the foundation in developing the TIP and Twelve-Year Program (TYP).

• Financial Guidance is developed by a collaboration of representatives from MPOs, RPOs, FHWA and PennDOT, collectively known as the Financial Guidance Work Group.

• Based on Financial Guidance for this TIP, a funding shift will occur in 2023 and 2024 and going forward.
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Funding

The shift in funding is due to:

• Transportation Performance Management
• Asset Management Based on Lowest Lifecycle Cost
• The expiration of the FAST Act and funding uncertainty
• Shifts in funding to the Interstate Highway Management Program

The shift in funding has resulted in approximately 25% less funding for the NEPA MPO Regional TIP.
NEPA MPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Development Process

- TIP development meetings held with the PennDOT Districts, Central Office and county planners to develop the draft 2021 Bridge and Highway TIP and TYP.

- Meetings held between September 2019 and December 2019.

- Carryover projects were reviewed and new transportation needs were discussed.
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• Draft 2021 Bridge and Highway TIP and TYP were completed in January 2020 and shared with the NEPA MPO Technical Committee and Policy Board.

• Transit providers (CCCT, MCTA and STS) also developed draft Transit TIPs based on funding estimates and current needs.

• Interstate TIP and TYP developed in consultation with the Statewide Interstate Steering Committee and were shared with the NEPA MPO Technical Committee in March 2020.
NEPA MPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Summary

NEPA MPO Region Project and Investment Totals

- Draft Bridge and Highway TIP includes 95 projects, totaling $209.3 million.
- Draft Transit TIP includes 19 projects, totaling $16.8 million.
- Draft Interstate TIP includes 10 projects, totaling $384.1 million.
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2021-2024 TIP Project Locations and Census Block Groups that Exceed the Regional Threshold for Minority and Low-Income Populations

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Development Process

• NEPA MPO Technical Committee approved a 30-day comment period on the draft 2021 TIP and TYP at its April 21, 2020 meeting.

• 30-day public comment period on the draft 2021 TIP began on May 11th and runs until June 12th.

• Public Comment Hearing on May 19, 2020.
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Public Comment Period

TIP documentation includes:
• Project spreadsheets and narratives for bridge and highway, transit and interstate projects
• Air Quality Conformity Analysis
• Environmental Justice Analysis
• Project Selection Summary
• Title VI Policy
• Administrative Actions/Amendments Guidelines
Next Steps

• Public comment period runs until June 12th.

• All comments will be addressed and documented.

• Final 2021 TIP and TYP to be considered for adoption by the NEPA MPO Committees on June 16th.

Once approved by NEPA MPO......

• TIP is submitted to PennDOT, is included with other MPO and RPO TIPs and then submitted to FHWA/FTA for approval.

• 2021 TIP implementation begins on October 1, 2020.
Questions?

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